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SUBJECT: SRI LANKA WILL ENDORSE THE GLOBAL INITIATIVE

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[1](#)1. (U) Sri Lanka's Ministry of Foreign Affairs on April 17 informed the Embassy via diplomatic note that Sri Lanka wishes to endorse the Statement of Principles of the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism and to signify its continuing commitment to support all global efforts to combat terrorism. According to the note, Sri Lanka finds the Statement of Principles to be in conformity with other relevant instruments in the field which it has already signed.

[1](#)2. (SBU) BEGIN TEXT OF DIPLOMATIC NOTE

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka presents its compliments to the Department of State of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the announcement made by the United States of America and the Russian Federation on the launching of the "Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism" and the Statement of Principles agreed upon by participating States at the first meeting of the initiative in October 2006, in Morocco.

Sri Lanka has examined the Statement of Principles and finds it to be in conformity with the relevant instruments in the field, including the Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism, which have been signed by Sri Lanka and provides an effective basis for practical co-operation amongst member states in the realization of the objectives of the Convention.

The Government of Sri Lanka wishes therefore to endorse the Statement of Principles and hereby signifies its continuing commitment to support all global efforts to combat terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of State of the United States of America the assurances of its highest considerations.

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